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FIRST QUARTER MILK PRODUCTION

Charleston, West Virginia – Milk production in West Virginia totaled 30 million pounds or 3.5 million gallons during the January - March quarter of 2018. This was down 9 percent from the same period in 2017, but up 1 million pounds or 116,000 gallons from the October - December 2017 quarter. The number of dairy cows averaged 7,000 head, down 1,000 head from the same period in 2017, but unchanged from the previous quarter.

United States – Milk production in the United States during the January - March quarter totaled 54.4 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from the January - March quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.41 million head, 9,000 head more than the October - December quarter, and 38,000 head more than the same period last year.

Note: A conversion of 8.6 pounds per gallon was used.

Monthly Milk Production - 23 Selected States

